

CHAPTERED LEGISLATION**AB 21 – Small Community Drinking Water – (Alejo)**

Would create the Safe Drinking Water Small Community Emergency Grant Fund under the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program and limit it to a maximum of \$50 million. It will also authorize the California Department of Public Health to assess an annual charge in lieu of interest on loans for water systems that serve disadvantaged and severely disadvantaged communities.

Status: Chaptered

AB 30 – Water Quality: State Water Pollution Control Fund Small Community Grant Fund – (Perea)

Would delete the December 2013 sunset on the Small Community Grant Fund and makes other related changes to the purposes and uses of the Fund.

Status: Chaptered

AB 71 – Salton Sea – (Pérez)

Will require the Secretary for Natural Resources to coordinate with the Salton Sea Authority in the implementation of Salton Sea restoration efforts. It also authorizes the Authority to lead a restoration funding/feasibility review in consultation with the Natural Resources Agency.

Status: Chaptered

AB 72 – Municipal Water District – (Holden)

Sets the first Friday of December as the date when newly-elected Municipal Water District Directors begin their term of office. Current law sets the start of the term at the first Monday following January 1st.

Status: Chaptered

AB 115 - Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - (Perea)

Expands the eligibility for grants from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund by allowing multiple agencies to collaborate and jointly submit grant applications when at least one of the communities served by the construction project will meet safe drinking water standards.

Status: Chaptered

AB 118 - Safe Drinking Water - (Cmte. on Env. Safety and Toxic Materials)

Authorizes drinking water systems serving a severely disadvantaged community to be eligible for a grant, instead of a loan, from the State Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, and would allow loans to cover the full cost of a project.

Status: Chaptered

AB 426 – Water Transfers – Temporary Changes – (Salas)

Would allow a statutorily-adjudicated water right ordered before 1981 to seek a change through the same administrative processes at the State Water Resources Control Board that are available to parties with statutorily-adjudicated water rights granted after January 1, 1981.

Status: Chaptered

AB 478 – State Employees: Memoranda of Understanding – (Gomez)

Ratifies specific Memoranda of Understanding between the State and seven bargaining units that represent state employees.

Status: Chaptered

AB 906 – Personal Services Contracts – (Pan)

Would restrict state agencies' use of personal service contracts, except when “a clear and imminent danger, requiring immediate action to prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property, or essential public services” is present, by prohibiting state agencies from executing a contract until they have contacted all organizations that represent state employees who perform the type of work to be contracted.

Status: Chaptered

AB 1259 – Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley – (Olsen)

Existing law currently prohibits local governments from approving development in areas subject to deep flooding unless (1) the area is protected by adequate state and federal levees, (2) the construction of adequate flood protections is underway, or (3) building standards are in place to protect from flooding. This bill simply clarifies that there is a fourth exception to the prohibition – namely that adequate “urban level” flood protection has been achieved.

Status: Chaptered

AB 1317 – Governor’s Reorganization Plan #2 – (Frazier)

Makes statutory changes necessary for implementation of the Governor’s Reorganization Plan No. 2 (GRP2) that was enacted in 2012 and scheduled to become operative on July 1, 2013.

Status: Chaptered

SB 96 – Budget Act of 2013: Public Resources – (Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee)

Provides the necessary statutory references to enact the 2012-13 Budget related to resources, environmental protection, energy and agriculture. The provision relevant to DWR would require the Department of Finance to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee at least 30 days prior to the completion of any relicensing agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for hydroelectric power, if that agreement adds General Fund obligations to the state.

Status: Chaptered

SB 102 – State Employees, Memoranda of Understanding – (Budget and Fiscal Review Committee)

Approves side letter agreements recently entered into between the administration and state bargaining units 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19, and 20. These agreements amend existing MOUs but do not constitute new agreements. This bill would take effect immediately. DWR's analysis addresses only Section 4 of the bill relating to Bargaining Unit 12, which includes employees of DWR. Among other things, the provisions of this agreement are intended to help DWR retain highly skilled employees to operate the State Water Project.

Status: Chaptered

SB 322 – Water Recycling - (Hueso)

Requires the Department of Public Health and the State Water Resources Control Board to investigate the feasibility of developing criteria for direct potable reuse of recycled water by September 2016.

Status: Chaptered

SB 620 – Water Replenishment Districts – (Wright)

Would modify existing law relating to the annual reserve that may be maintained by the Water Replenishment District of Southern California. SB 620 would suspend, until 2019, the requirement that 80 percent of the reserve be spent for water purchases. It would also increase the penalty for failing to register or file specified documents – the penalty for which has not been changed since 1961.

Status: Chaptered

SB 743- Environmental Quality, Judicial Review, Streamlining, Sports Center – (Steinberg)

Establishes administrative and judicial review procedures under CEQA for the City of Sacramento's proposed entertainment and sports center project for the Sacramento Kings. It would require the Judicial Council of California to adopt a rule of court to establish proceedings applicable to certain lawsuits that might arise relating to the Sacramento Kings sports complex.

Status: Chaptered

SB 749 – Habitat Protection: Endangered Species: Land Management – (Wolk)

Extends accidental take protection, require independent scientific review of endangered species status reports, and provide that revenue collected from agricultural leases be used in maintaining and operating the properties that generate it. This bill would also require the water transfer guide that is prepared by DWR to include specific fish and wildlife information.

Status: Chaptered

SB 753 – Central Valley Flood Protection Board – (Steinberg)

Would clarify and expand the authority of Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board) to engage in enforcement actions against persons or public agencies that are interfering with, obstructing the performance, maintenance, or operation of, or otherwise adversely affecting facilities of, the State Plan of Flood Control, designated floodways or streams that are regulated by the Board.

Status: Chaptered

BILLS NOT CHAPTERED**AB 52 – California Environmental Quality Act: Native Americans – (Gatto)**

Would make changes to California Environmental Quality Act, requiring a project's impacts on Native American tribal resources to be mandated as a significant impact, placing it on par with other specified impacts to the environment, and in specific instances, would place impacts to tribal resources above environmental impacts.

Status: Not heard in Senate Environmental Quality

AB 145 - State Water Resources Control Board: Drinking Water – (Perea)

Would transfer all the authority, duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities, and jurisdiction for the purposes of the California Safe Drinking Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund from the Department of Public Health to the State Water Resources Control Board, effective FY 2014-15.

Status: Held in Senate Appropriations

AB 380 – California Environmental Quality Act: Notices – (Dickinson)

Would amend the California Environmental Quality Act to require lead agencies to file project-related notices with both the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) and with the county clerk(s) of each county in which a proposed project falls. It would require OPR to develop a database that provides an image of the actual notice and the date stamp.

Status: Not heard in Senate Environmental Quality Committee

AB 543 – California Environmental Quality Act: Translation – (Campos)

Would require a lead agency to translate certain documents that are required by the California Environmental Quality Act if (1) the population of non-English speakers in the lead agency's jurisdiction equaled or exceeded 25%, and (2) the population near the proposed project included 25% or more of non-English speakers.

Status: Not heard in Senate Environmental Quality Committee

AB 1258 – Pumped Storage – (Skinner)

Would require the Energy Commission, the Department of Water Resources, the Independent Systems Operator, specific utilities and the US Bureau of Reclamation to undertake studies relating to the use of existing water storage facilities to facilitate the storage of renewable electricity through pumping water behind hydroelectric dams to generate electricity later.

Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 1331 – Climate Change Response for Clean and Safe Drinking Water Act of 2014 – (Rendon)

This bill would repeal the Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2012 (set to go before the voters in November of 2014) and would replace it with the Climate Change Response for Clean and Safe Drinking Water Act of 2014, which would authorize \$6.5 billion in general obligation bonds to finance various water and climate change related programs.

Status: Not heard in Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

AB 1393 – Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund – (Perea)

Would transfer the administration of the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund from the Department of Public Health to the State Water Resources Control Board.

Status: Held in Senate Rules Committee

SB 42 – Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, and Flood Protection Act of 2014 – (Wolk)

This bill would repeal the Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2012 (set to go before the voters in November of 2014) and would replace it with the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, and Flood Protection Act of 2014, which, if adopted by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,475,000,000 to finance a safe drinking water, water quality, and flood protection program.

Status: Not heard in Natural Resources Committee

SB 449 – Local Water Supply Projects: Funding – (Galgiani)

Would require the DWR to conduct a statewide inventory of local regional water supply projects and post the results on their Internal Web site by July 1, 2014.

Status: Held in Natural Resources Committee

SB 731 – California Environmental Quality Act – (Steinberg)

Would provide that aesthetic and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project, on an infill site, within a transit priority area, as defined, shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment. SB 731 would require the Office of Planning and Research to prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, and the secretary to certify and adopt, revisions to the guidelines for the implementation of CEQA establishing thresholds of significance for noise and transportation impacts of projects within transit priority areas.

Status: Not heard in Committee on Local Government

SB 735 – Sacramento San Joaquin Delta Reform Act – (Wolk)

Would authorize the Delta Stewardship Council and the Department of Fish and Wildlife to enter into a memorandum of understanding (with the Counties of Contra Costa, Sacramento and Solano, the Yolo County Habitat/Natural Community Conservation Plan Joint Powers Agency, and the San Joaquin Council of Governments (collectively, “the parties”) to describe how the parties would ensure that multispecies conservation plans are consistent with the Delta Plan.

Status: Not heard in Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee.

SB 750 – Multi-unit water meters – (Wolk)

Would require water suppliers that submit applications for water service to newly constructed multiunit residential structures to, after January 1, 2015; require the installation of a water meter to measure water supplied to each unit. Certain buildings are exempt from this bill.

Status: Failed passage in committee.